OH
IT'S TAKAHASHI-SAN.
HER LONG HAIR FLUTTERING IN THE WIND MAKES IT LOOK LIKE SUMMER.
IT'S A QUIET AFTERNOON,
DRENCHED IN SUNLIGHT.
TODAY IS A GOOD DAY TO LISTEN TO THE TWITTERING OF BIRDS,
THE RUSTLES OF THE TREES,
AND...

# CHAPTER 2: TO THE LAND OF DREAMS

Yesterday
HOW WAS THAT, SAEJIMA-I?
THE CHOREOGRAPHY OF NEXT WEEK'S IDOL FESTIVAL IS GETTING FASTER AND FASTER!
IT WAS QUITE GOOD, HOWEVER--
IT'S UNSATISFACTORILY LACKING IMPACT
EH?

Of course eavesdropping is such a disgraceful hobby
If by any chance it backfires, I know that I'll lose all trust...
So much stress This interesting hobby is the only one I can settle for..
MOMORO'S!!
I'M BEING FORCED TO DO MOMORO CLOVER'S SHRIMP JUMP!
I WONDER IF YOU COULD JUMP HIGHER LIKE A SHRIMP
JUST A LITTLE BIT!
BUT I CAN'T STOP NOW!! I'VE ONLY HEARD A LITTLE BIT!
I WANT TO GO ONLY TO THAT PLACE
University of Tokyo..? Kyoto University..?
That being said, where does Nara-kun want to go?
YEAH, ME NEITHER...
NO, I DON'T REALLY WANT TO GO TO HELL...
Does he always send remarks of hell to his friends from the beginning?!
AH, YOU MEAN HELL?
WHAT? WHERE TO?
LOOKS LIKE I CAN'T GO AFTER ALL.

THE LAND OF DREAMS.
SO NAIVE!
I see. This is a conversation about career paths, in disguise
I think I'll go along with this dreams gimmick!
ARE YOU DELIBERATELY PUTTING YOURSELF WITH THAT KIND OF CROWD...?
Wait a minute. that's not the right reaction.
My type of dreamland would be like something out of ancient times.
WAAH!!
CASTLES!
AND SKY!
AND SEAS!
AND MOUNTAINS!
No
ANYWAY, I WON'T STOP BUT,
IT'S DIFFICULT FOR A GUY TO GO ALONE
ASSUMING THAT A NORIMONO CAN TAKE ONLY ONE PERSON QUICKLY
I COULD SAVE MONEY USING THAT SYSTEM
AH, I KNOW

T/N A norimono is a type of "vehicle" with no wheels
One person sits inside and two people carry it around.

A MASCOT RIDER SYSTEM.
It's a single-rider system!
ANYWAY, I DO THINK OF VARIOUS WAYS TO GET THERE
BUT THE UNFORTUNATE POSSIBILITY IS, /
FIGHTING AGAINST PRIDE,
WITH LONELINESS SURGING INEXPECTEDLY
AND UNFORTUNATELY,
I RAN INTO A CLASSMATE
I see, It really is unfortunate...
HE RIDICULED ME, SO,
I UPLOADED AN INCRIMINATING PICTURE OF HIM ON A SOCIAL NETWORKING SITE
THE CLASSMATE RECEIVED MUCH CRITICISM,
SO MUCH THAT IT BURST INTO FLAMES
HIS PERSONAL INFORMATION WAS REPORTED
TO THE SCHOOL
Does he prefer the misfortune of his classmates?!

Zaaaa
SO BLUNT!
...IT'S GOOD TO GO EVEN IF YOU DON'T WANT TO.
IT'S TRUE THAT THIS IS THE TIME TO WAIT AND SEE
BUT THE FACT IS THAT I'VE ALWAYS WANTED TO RIDE
MAYBE IT CAN BECOME A NEW ATTRACTION
EVEN AFTER SEVERAL YEARS IT'S BEEN WAITING FOR ME
THE MOUSE...
SEVERAL YEARS.
IT WAS CROWDED IN THE BEGINNING I GUESS.
BUT IT'S BEEN BETTER AFTER SEVERAL YEARS. I CAN RIDE IN COMFORT NOW
I think the mouse is too busy working in the stars everyday.
I WONDER IF HE'S WAITING FOR ME PATIENTLY!!
IT'S ATTENDANCE REMAINS UNCHANGED !
FROM MY EXPERIENCE, IT MIGHT NOT COME!

GATA
Now?!
I-IT'S NO USE! I CAN'T BE FORCED INTO LOVELY FEELINGS BECAUSE OF THE MOUSE!
IT NEEDS TO BE DONE NOW!
WAIT, NARA-KUN, BEFORE YOU GO, I NEED YOU TO TELL ME...
He's referring to the faithful dog!
I'M SURE A BRONZE STATUE WILL BE BUILT!
I'LL BE WAITING
THE FACT THAT YOU'RE WAITING FOR A MOUSE TO APPEAR REALLY IMPRESSES PEOPLE, NARA-KUN.
T/N: She realizes that M kage was referring to Hachiko, the faithful Japanese dog, in which a bronze statue was built in its honor
MAYBE I CAN DRAW HIM.
THE REALLY FAMOUS ONE?
YOU DON'T KNOW?
HMP
WHO EXACTLY IS THIS MOUSE?
Sara
LIKE THIS?
AND A BLACK NOSE THAT'S FA-CING UP...
Sara
Sara
Sara
SEE, HE HAS TWO BIG EARS...
I WONDER HOW MUCH YOU HAVE SEEN OF IT?

THIS... THIS IS BAD, MIKAGE-KUN!
DON'T DRAW THE MOUSE!
They'll come!
The black suited people of the land of dreams will come!
They'll claim copyright!
It's no good!
This four-eyes is a dream spy!
YES, YES! JUST LIKE THAT!
...AND HE'S WEARING GLOVES ON HIS HANDS.

HEY, THE NEWBIE ISN'T HERE
Fishing with such a thin body is impossible!
THERE'S NO CHOICE BUT TO MAKE AN UNREASONABLE PROFIT OUT OF THIS TUNA I CAUGHT
At this rate, Mikage-kun will be in a debt hell!
NOOOO!!
YOU, WHO PRETENDED NOT TO SEE, YOU'RE GUILTY TOO
Oh! Maybe...
Ga
Ga
AH
I WONDER WHERE EMA-CHI IS?
THE WIND IS REALLY STRONG TODAY, ISN'T IT?
Physical labor...
Is what being an idol is all about!

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SH!
AAAAAHHH!!!
!?
E/Nt Jizas Kinayst WTF
Where's the land of dreams I was talking about
BUT I WILL WAIT FOR THE MOUSE
IT MUST HAVE HAD AN EXCITING DREAM TO GO TO THE LAND OF MASCOTS.
HMMM, I GUESS IT FLEW OFF
A few days later..
WAAAAA
SOMETHING MUST HAVE HAPPENED
EHA!

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